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6403**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2100****PATENT**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Nancey J. Hammond	Attorney Docket No.:	500249.01 (660082.527M)
Serial No.	: 09/153,994	Group Art Unit	: 2126
Filed	: September 17, 1998	Examiner	: Lewis A. Bullock, Jr.
Title	: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ENHANCING RELIABILITY OF COMMUNICATION WITH ELECTRONIC MESSAGES		

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Sir:

Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for a 2-month extension of time for filing the response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, from March 4, 2003, to May 4, 2003. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$410, which is the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks: